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The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro  
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H-307 The Capitol  
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The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences Nursing Simulation in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences, located at 65 Bergen St, Newark, NJ 07102. The funding would be used to expand the capacity of the Rutgers School of Nursing, the largest school of nursing in New Jersey, to educate new RNs and simultaneously, new Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNA). By expanding its RN-producing student admission cohorts by a minimum of 25-30 percent, this expansion would also increase RSON's number of new RN graduates by 25-30 percent. While this investment will not abruptly end the nursing shortage, it represents an important and necessary step in addressing the healthcare crisis of RN and CRNA supply and demand..

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Donald M. Payne, Jr.  
Member of Congress